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REMARKS

INTRODUCTION:

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 10-17 have been canceled. No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

Claims 2-8 are pending and under consideration.

ALLOWED SUBJECT MATTER:

In the Office Action, at page 3, item 6, the Examiner indicated that claims 2-8 are allowed.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102:

In the Office Action, at page 2 the Examiner rejected claims 10, 12, and 15-17 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Churchill (US 1,946,149 - hereinafter Churchill). The reasons for the rejection are set forth in the Office Action and therefore not repeated. Applicant traverses this rejection and respectfully requests reconsideration.

Claims 10, 12, and 15-17 have been cancelled.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103:

In the Office Action, at page 2, item 5, the Examiner rejected claim 13 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Churchill. The reasons for the rejection are set forth in the Office Action and therefore not repeated. Applicants traverse this rejection and respectfully request reconsideration.

Claim 13 has been cancelled.

CONCLUSION:

In accordance with the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that all outstanding objections and rejections have been overcome and/or rendered moot, and further, that all pending claims patentably distinguish over the cited art. Thus, there being no further outstanding objections or rejections, the application is submitted as being in condition for allowance which action is earnestly solicited.

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If the Examiner has any remaining issues to be addressed, it is believed that prosecution can be expedited by the Examiner contacting the undersigned attorney for a telephone interview to discuss resolution of such issues.

If there are any underpayments or overpayments of fees associated with the filing of this Amendment, please charge and/or credit the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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